

DEPARTMENTAL EXAMINATION FOR OFFICERS OF
THE WEST BENGAL CIVIL SERVICE (EXECUTIVE)

May, 2009

LAW PAPER II (LAND LAWS AND GENERAL LAWS)
(WITHOUT BOOKS)

Time Allowed : 3 Hours

Full Marks : 100
Pass Marks : 50

Group - A

Answer Question No.1 and any three from the rest.

1. Write short notes on any five of the following :-
- (a) Collector;
 - (b) Homestead ;
 - (c) Intermediary;
 - (d) Notified area;
 - (e) Khas mahal land;
 - (f) Encumbrance. 3x5
2. Who is an intermediary under the West Bengal Estates Acquisition Act, 1953 ? Is raiyat an intermediary ? Does land of a non-agricultural tenant vest in the State ? 7+4+4
3. Who is a bargadar under the West Bengal Land Reforms Act ? Can the brother's son of a raiyat be bargadar under him ? Is the right of cultivation of land by a bargadar both heritable and transferable ? Can a person not belonging to a Scheduled Tribe claim to be a bargadar on land belonging to a tribal raiyat ? 6+3+3+3
4. Does land Acquisition Act, 1894 contain provision, for acquisition of land for a private company ? Under which circumstances there shall be an agreement between a Company and the State Government before taking steps for acquisition of land ? What is the provision for making such agreement public ? 4+7+4
5. What do you mean by the term 'vacant land' under the urban land (Ceiling and Regulation) Act, 1976 ? Under what circumstances, a person may be permitted to hold land in excess of the ceiling limit ? 8+7
6. What are the vacant lands to which the ceiling provisions under the urban land (Ceiling and Regulation) Act, 1976 do not apply ? 15

Group - B

Answer Question No.7 and any two from the rest

7. Write short notes on any two of the following :
- (a) Delimitation of Parliamentary and Assembly Constituencies;
 - (b) Samanway Samiti;
 - (c) Chief Electoral Officer;
 - (d) Assistant Electoral Registration Officer under the representation of the People Act, 1950;
 - (e) Returning Officer. 5x2
P.T.O.

8. On what grounds a member of a Gram Panchayat be removed ?
What is the procedure for the removal of a Pradhan and a
Upa Pradhan ? 8+7
9. Enumerate the powers of Zilla Parishad under the West Bengal
Panchayat Act, 1971. Are such powers unrestricted ? 10+5
10. State the grounds for declaring election to be void under the
Representation of the People Act, 1951. Is there any scope
for judicial determination by High Court in case of any dis-
pute in this regard ? 10+5
11. State the Constitution of Nyaya Panchayat under the West Bengal
Panchayat Act, 1973. What are the suits that cannot be tried by
Nyaya Panchayat ? 10+5